NOTICE TO APPLICANTS (BANKS)

If you plan to apply for a denovo branch, a branch relocation or home office relocation (to other than an existing branch), please fill out the following worksheets. If you determine that your bank is an eligible bank and that the proposed transaction qualifies for expedited treatment, please forward:

- 1. the completed worksheets together with a cover letter which states the basis upon which you believe that the bank is eligible for and is requesting expedited treatment for the proposed transaction. The cover letter must be signed by an officer authorized by the Board of Directors to file the application;
- 2. a brief description of the proposed transaction;
- 3. Sections I, II, III and IV of the Branch Application form;
- 4. a check made payable to the Department of Banking in the amount of the expedited filing fee. See 7 TAC '15.2.

Under the provisions of 7 TAC '15.3(c) the banking commissioner may deny expedited treatment. You will be notified within 15 days of receipt if expedited treatment is denied.

If your bank does not qualify as an eligible bank and/or the transaction does not qualify for expedited treatment, you must complete the full application form and attach all required schedules. The full application fee must accompany the application.

INTERSTATE BRANCH APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCORDED EXPEDITED FILING AT THIS TIME.

If you have any questions, contact the Corporate Activities Division, Department of Banking 2601 North Lamar, Austin, Texas 78705 512/475-1300

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